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For: DIVIDED DRIVER DEVICE FOR A SLIP  
RING SEAL

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Amendment and Response to Non-Final Office Action**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 14, 2007, Applicants respond as follows:

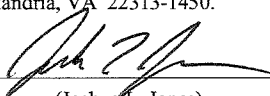
**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper

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